

WILLIAM ANDREW AND
ELLEN MATILDA BUSBY LUKE



William Andrew Luke, Sr., was born January 29, 1860 in Spanish Fork, a son of Henry and Harriet E. Luce Luke. He married Ellen Matilda Busby January 27, 1881 in the Salt Lake Endowment House. He died June 9, 1925 and is buried in Heber.

Ellen Matilda Busby Luke was born July 23, 1860 in Salt Lake City, a daughter of John and Harriet Emma Killian Busby. She died October 12, 1946 and is buried in Heber.

The Luke family moved to Heber when William was only six months old. When he was six his father died leaving his mother with six small children to care for. He, the oldest boy, assumed much of the responsibility for the family as he grew older. He worked as a freighter with an ox team from Heber to Salt Lake, and also was road supervisor of Midway for many years.

William engaged in farming until 1888 when he purchased the Hot Pots resort in Midway. He owned and managed the resort until about two years before his death. His son John took over management of the business in 1923.

William suffered a paralytic stroke in 1923 and was bedfast for two years before

his death. He was an elder in the Church at the time of his death.

Ellen lived for 21 years in the 10th Ward in Salt Lake prior to her marriage. She was employed at ZCMI manufacturing overalls before she married. With her husband she moved to Heber and lived for eight years before going to the Midway resort. She proved a good helpmate to her husband in operating the resort.

William and Ellen were the parents of 13 children:

John Henry Luke, married Alada G. Ross;

William Andrew Luke, Jr., married Leona Jensen and Elizabeth Shelton Meeks;

Mrs. William Wells (Nellie May) Gibson;

George Edward Luke, married Jannett Gibson;

Charles Franklin Luke, married Cordelia Shelton;

James Alfred Luke, died in infancy;

Douglas Luke, died in youth;

Wallace Luke, married Clara E. Bentley;

Otto Luke, married Sarah Jane Fausett, died; Gladys Lyon, died; Blanche Swain, died; and Agnes Babcock;

Violet Luke, died in infancy;

Pansy Luke, born and died the same day;

Lawrence Luke, married Leona Knudson;

Avon Luke, married Sadie Dudley.